THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR-GANGWAR): (a) The IOC oil terminal at Vasco da Gama was originally purchased from Shell. When the terminal was built, it was away from the populated area. Oil depots are originally built away from populated areas. However, with the expanding town/city limits, it has been observed, residential colonics and shops slowly come up.

(b) Adequate fire fighting facilities as per Oil Industry Safety Directorate (OISD) and Chief Controller of Explosives (CCOE) Rules have been provided to take care of any eventualities. Regular training is imparted to the operating personnel. A mutual aid scheme between nearby HPC terminal and Marmugoa Port trust is already existing and fire fighting facilities are supplemented by this process. The State Govt, has approved a diaster plan and a disaster fire drill is being periodically conducted with the help of the State Officials, Fire Brigade, Port and Hospital.

(c) For receipt of petroleum products in the State of Goa, sea is the only route and oil depots will have to be necessarily near the port. Owing to non-availability of Government land, the State Government has expressed its inability to allocate any land to IOC for resiting the terminal. However, there is a proposal to build a relief terminal at village Sancole at a distance of approximately 12 kms. from the existing terminal.

(d) Depending on the distance of the site from the port for a similar size of the terminal, the cost will be approximately Rs. 200 crores excluding the cost of land. However, the approximate cost of the proposed relief terminal will be around Rs. 90 crores.

Additional Oil Storage Depot at Zuari Nagar in Goa

986. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Oil Corporation intend to have an additional oil storage depot at Zuari Nagar Plateau in Goa;

(b) if so, what will be cost of the land and area of land sought to be acquired and the response of the State Government to provide this land; and

(c) what will be the total cost of this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of Goa has informed the IOC that no land belonging to the Government, admeasuring the minimum required area of 25 acres is available in Vasco for the development of oil storage facility.

(c) The cost of this project including the cost of land is estimated to be approximately Rs. 90 crores.

देश में पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस की उपलब्धत तथा कमी

987.**श्री सूर्यभान पाटील वहाडणे**: क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस कितनी मात्रा में उपलब्ध है तथा हमारी मांग की तुलना में इनकी कितनी कमी है,और

(ख) इस कमी को पूरा करने के लिये कौन-कौन से देश हमारे देश को पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस की आपूर्ति कर रहे हैं?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री संतोष कुमार गंगवार): (क) दिनांक 01 अप्रैल,1997 को देश में पेट्रोलियम (कच्चा तेल) और